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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION BY NARCO ON EXPORT PRICING

REF ATHENS A-189; STATE 112392

1. IN RESPONSE TO YOUR SEPTEMBER 25 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON CURRENT PRICING POLICY OF EXPORT CONTROL COMMITTEE, EMBASSY IS SEEKING TO ARRANGE DISCUSSION OF THIS ISSUE IN GENERAL TERMS WITH COMMITTEE PRESIDENT (AND DIR. GEN. OF MINISTRY OF COMMERCE) ANDREOPOULOS, BUT STILL AWAITING RESPONSE FROM HIS OFFICE. HOPE THIS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED BEFORE YOUR DEADLINE. HOWEVER, WE NOT AWARE OF ANY CHANGE IN POLICY SINCE YOUR LAST VISIT TO ATHENS.

2. PRESENT INTERIM GOVERNMENT HAS EXPRESSED ITS DESIRE IN PRINCIPLE TO FREE IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADE FROM ARTIFICIAL CONSTRAINTS. HOWEVER, NEW GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE OVER AFTER ELECTIONS, WHICH SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 17. NO MAJOR SHIFT IN TRADE POLICY FORESEEN UNTIL AFTER ACCESSION NEW GOVERNMENT, AND EVEN THEN LIKELY TO DEPEND ON BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DEVELOPMENTS.

3. ACCORDING TO ATHENS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY PRESENT ORGANIZATION OF EXPORT INVOICE CONTROL COMMITTEE AS FOLLOWS: PRESIDENT - A. ANDREOPOULOS (MINISTRY OF COMMERCE); PERMANENT MEMBERS - C. PARASKEVAS (COMMERCE)
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MINISTRY), C. KATSANTONIS (FINANCE MINISTRY) E. TRAITORAKIS (BANK OF GREECE), A. SPYROPOULOS (ATHENS CHAMBER).

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